STATEMENT II

The rates of daily wages of Agricultural labourers for Adult Males and Females as is prevailing in each District.

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Adult male	Adult female
		Rs.P.	Rs.P.
1	Bangalore ...	1-96	1-43
2	Belgaum ...	2-50	1-57
3	Bellary ...	1-54	1-08
4	Bidar ...	2-50	1-70
5	Bijapur ...	1-90	1-17
6	Chickmagalur ...	4-20	3-70
7	Chitradurga ...	2-50	1-50
8	Coorg ...	2-68	1-94
9	Dharwar ...	2-20	1-43
10	Gulbarga ...	3-23	2-15
11	Hassan ...	3-00	2-00
12	Kolar ...	1-38	0-94
13	Mandya ...	2-75	1-33
14	Mysore ...	2-10	1-44
15	North Kanara ...	3-00	2-50
16	Raichur ...	2-50	2-00
17	Shimoga ...	2-08	1-54
18	South Kanara ...	4-35	3-40
19	Tumkur ...	2-06	1-28

NOTE :—The information is based on the latest reports available from the Bureau of Economics and Statistics, Bangalore.

Acquisition of Land for Harijan Colony in Boradal Village

945. **Sri S. S. ARAKERI** (Ballolli).—

Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to acquire land for putting Harijan Colony in Boradal village, in Indi Taluk of Bijapur District;

(*b*) if so, when acquisition will be completed;

(*c*) whether Government is aware that the Harijan families of Boradal village in Indi Taluk of Bijapur District are residing by the side of a Halla since many years for want of sites;

(*d*) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to complete the acquisition of lands early ?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).

(*c*) The Harijans are residing in the area near the Nalla for nearly hundred years. With the growth of population now, the existing area is found inadequate for them.

(*d*) The question of acquiring suitable area for the purpose is under consideration.

Request to Hon. Speaker to call again passed over Questions.

Sri S. S. ARAKERI.—May I put my question ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—No. When I called the question for the second time, even then the hon. member was not in the House. He did not come in time. Now he may please resume his seat.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—I have a point of order. When we asked for a particular question, namely that of Sri B. L. Narayanaswamy regarding agricultural labourers and their maintenance, which we considered as very important, you were pleased to state that it is not possible to put the question from the Chair. I would invite your reference to Rule 42 (3) where it has been stated :

> " After all the questions have been called, the Speaker may if time permits, call again any question which has not been asked by reason of the absence of a member in whose name it stands. "

Of course, the discretion is left to you. I am saying that the discretion is left to you. In view of the fact that there is still time left, discretion should have been exercised in our favour. If the time allotted for the Question Hour was over, then discretion should be exercised in such a manner that the time of the House is not wasted. While time in the Question Hour is left, it becomes necessary for the Speaker to use his discretion in favour of the Members of this House. Sri Narayanaswamy's question is a very important question since it pertains to agricultural workers. I humbly once again draw your attention to Rule 42 (3) and request that Question No. 929 may be put by the Chair since there is still time.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I feel that the Hon. Member is challenging the Ruling of the Chair for not agreeing to put the question.

Sri J. P. SARWESH.—You cannot violate the rules.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The discretion is mine. The Rule only says that 'the Speaker " may " call again any question which has not been asked by reason of the absence of the member in whose name it stands.'